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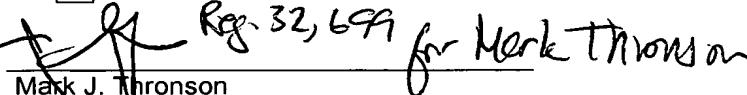
Invention: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS INCLUDING LOW-LINEAR-DENSITY DOT REGION DETECTION UNIT, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS INCLUDING THE SAME

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 27, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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